

Strong Foundations Charter School

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

February 21, 2018

5:30 p.m.

Present: Colleen Sliva, Mark Sisti, Chris Carrier, Sara Carrier, Mike Teunessen, Heather Warfield, and Beth McClure (not a board member)

1. Call to Order at 5:28 p.m.
2. Secretary's Report
 - Vote on Meeting minutes January 10, 2018: Motion to accept by Sisti, second by Chris Carrier. Motion passed with one abstention.
3. Treasurer's Report and Manifest
 - Vote on January reports: Motion to accept by Chris Carrier, second by Sisti. Motion passed.
4. Consider Board Member nomination, Heather Warfield. Has two daughters in the school and a son who will start in the fall. Chose SFCS because it is a Core Knowledge school. Motion to nominate Heather Warfield for the open parent term by Teunessen, second by Sisti. Motion passed unanimously. Board introduced themselves to Warfield.
5. Policy Discussion and Adoption: Proposed Suspension and Expulsion Policy: McClure drafted proposed policy to comply with RSA 193:13. It is also in compliance with RSA 194-B:9 III, as it relates to suspension and expulsion in NH charter schools. Two changes were made.
 - Board suggested adding in parentheses (See Student Handbook) after "refusal to conform to the reasonable rules of the school." The change was made.
 - Mixing definitional terms in references to federal statute, specifically as it relates to weapons. Sisti suggested deleting the federal reference that makes an exception for pocket knives. Motion by Sara Carrier, second by Teunessen to accept the policy with changes as discussed, policy to be effective March 5, 2018. Motion passed unanimously. McClure to send out policy to all families as notice of adoption of the new policy by Feb. 22, 2018.
6. Principal's Report
 - Update Security Grant: Will be submitted next week. McClure proposes that the board support an additional amount for an interior door at the front of the building as a second security entry. Motion to support the additional amount by Sara Carrier, second by Chris Carrier, motion passes.
 - Update Open Enrollment and Open House: Applicant lists are forming for every grade level. Intent to continue forms from families currently attending are due on Feb. 23, so we will have a count of expected openings for the April 1 lottery. New family open house on May 5.
7. Old Business
 - Financing: Waiting for appraisal to begin. Must break ground in March. McClure is trying to get approval for financing from the bank for the

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amount estimated by the construction company in advance of receiving an appraisal that would support the financing.

8. Public comment: None
9. Motion by Sliva, seconded by Teunessen to go into nonpublic session for the purpose of holding a discussion that, if held in public, could adversely affect the reputation of a person who is not a member of this public body. The role call vote was as follows: Colleen Sliva: Yes; Mark Sisti: Yes; Chris Carrier: Yes; Sara Carrier: Yes; Mike Teunessen: Yes; Heather Warfield: Yes.
10. Nonpublic session
11. Re-enter public session: While in nonpublic session, the Board voted to seal the minutes of the nonpublic session. A role-call vote was made, and the Board voted unanimously to seal the minutes.
12. New business
 - At the next meeting, the board will be presented with a draft budget and draft calendar for the 2018-2019 school year.
13. Other business: Consider whether the cut-off date for entry into Readiness should be strictly kept. The Board thinks the school should have a definite cut-off date in order to make it equally fair for all families. It could potentially cause hard feelings if some people are admitted but others are not.
14. Meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

Date of next meetings: Mar. 21, and Apr. 18 at 5:30 p.m. at 715 Riverwood Drive, Pembroke, NH

Trustee	Term
Colleen Sliva	3 Year Term – July 2016 to Aug 2019
Mark Sisti	3 Year Term – Sep 2017 to Aug 2020
Mike Teunessen	3 Year Term – June 2016 to Aug 2019
Dina Condodemetraky (parent)	1 Year Term – Sep 2017 to Aug 2018
Chris Carrier (parent)	1 Year Term – Sep 2017 to Aug 2018
Heather Warfield	1 Year Term – Sep 2017 to Aug 2018
Open	3 year term – May 2015 to Aug 2018
Open	3 year term - Sep 2017 to Aug 2020
Sara Carrier	2 year term - Sep 2017 to Aug 2019